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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6587
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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 35904

FOLLOWING TELEGRAM SENT ACTION AMEMBASSY BANGKOK; INFO
VIENTIANE DATED DEC 22 H/W REPEATED URSTA:

QUOTE:

UDORN 0217

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SREF TH LQO
SUBJECT: BUNG KAN REFUGEE SITUATION

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1. CONREP TRAVELLED TO BUNG KAN DISTRICT TOWN, NONG KHAI
PROVINCE, AFTERNOON DECEMBER 22 TO CHECK BANGKOK POST
REPORT (CITED REF C) THAT 3000 HMONG (MEO) REFUGEES HAD
RECENTLY ENTERED DISTRICT. CONREP ARRIVED AT DISTRICT
TOWN (190 KILOMETERS FROM UDORNJL JUST AFTER END OF
NORMAL GOVERNMENT WORKING HOURS. ONLY KNOWLEDGABLE INDIVIDUAL
AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS REFUGEE MATTERS WAS POLICE FIRST
LIEUTENANT SERVING AS DISTRICT POLICE DUTY OFFICER.

2. HE INFORMED CONREP THAT LATEST GROUP OF HMONG REFUGEES
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TO SEEK REFUGE IN DISTRICT ARRIVED NIGHT OF DECEMBER 18
AND CONSISTED OF 136 PERSONS FROM 22 FAMILIES. HE STATED THQT
REDUGEEZ CROSSAD MEKONG RIVER INTO DISTRICT AT NONG DOEN THA
VILLAGE,
IN VICINITY OF COORDINATES UF9270, RATHER THAN
AT BAN BUNG KHLA TOWNSHIP REPORTED IN PRESS.

3. POLICE FIRST LIEUTENANT SAID THAT TOTAL NUMBER OF
HMONG REFUGEES TAKEN INTO DISTRICT POLICE CUSTODY SINCE
MID-NOVEMBER IS NOW APPROXIMATELY 350. HE DESCRIBED
FIGURES PROVIDED IN BANGKOK POST AS ERRONEOUS AND
GROSSLY EXAGERRATED.

4. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO CHECK POLICE FIRST LIEUTENANT'S
ASSESSMENT WITH OTHER SOURCES IN BUNG KAN DISTRICT AND
IN NONG KHAI PROVINCIAL CAPITAL AND WILL REPORT RESULTS
OF OUR INQUIRIES ASAP. SIGNED FINNEY. UNQUOTE.
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